



# SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

**Greenwood 50 School District**  
**Grades: PK-12** **Enrollment: 9,354**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Darrell Johnson**  
**Board Chair: Debrah Miller**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Good	N/A	Not Met	CDI
2007	Average	Average	N/A	Not Met	NI
2006	Average	Below Average	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	1	15	3	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Districts with Students like Ours are Districts with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## PACT

PACT	2008 Reading % Basic and above	2008 Math % Basic and above	2008 Science % Basic and above	2008 Social Studies % Basic and above
District	73.3%	74.9%	63.7%	68.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	77.7%	77.9%	68.7%	72.4%
Average District	76.0%	76.0%	67.4%	71.3%

PACT	2008 Reading % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Math % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Science % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Social Studies % Proficient & Advanced
District	35.0%	34.5%	35.7%	30.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	39.5%	37.5%	37.5%	35.6%
Average District	37.6%	35.1%	36.4%	34.7%

## HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtests (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	80.4%	11.2%	8.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	81.8%	9.9%	8.3%

## HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2008 (%)

District	94.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	94.2%

## End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	71.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	65.6%

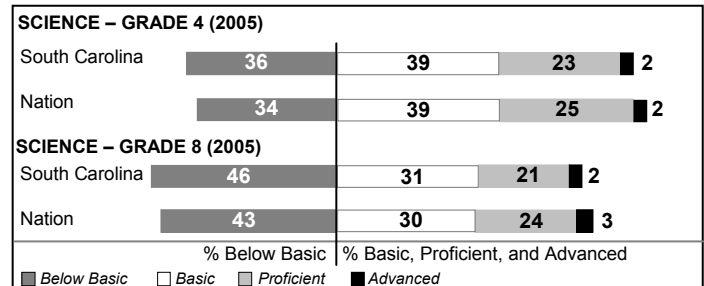
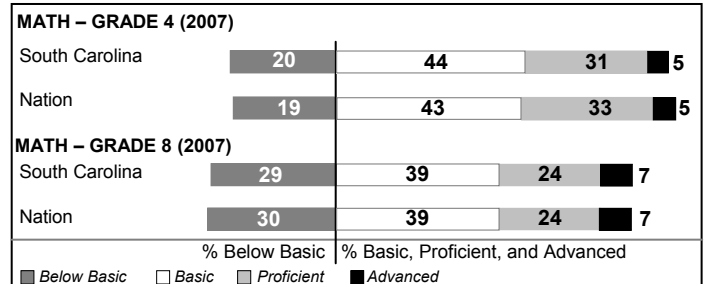
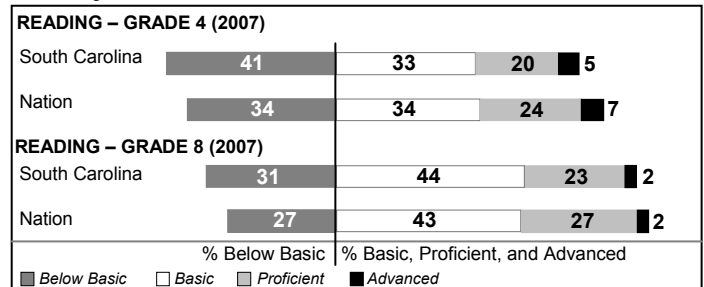
## On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	77.0%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	77.0%

\*\* Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## NAEP\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

*By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.*

2020 Goal: TBD

### Abbreviations Key

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## DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
<b>Students (n=9,354)</b>				
Retention rate	2.8%	Up from 2.7%	3.1%	4.0%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Down from 97.1%	95.6%	95.6%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.8%	Up from 15.1%	14.9%	11.4%
With disabilities other than speech	11.2%	Up from 10.4%	10.8%	10.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	2.6%	Up from 1.3%	0.8%	0.8%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	10.3%	Up from 7.1%	14.8%	10.3%
Successful on AP/IB exams	76.4%	N/A	58.7%	56.0%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	22.0%	Down from 33.5%	32.8%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	176	Up from 143	108	48
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	53	Up from 34	47	27
Annual dropout rate	5.2%	Up from 4.8%	4.0%	3.8%
<b>Teachers (n=667)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	52.9%	Up from 50.4%	56.7%	54.8%
Continuing contract teachers	71.4%	Down from 74.9%	77.8%	73.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.1%	Up from 2.5%	3.1%	5.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.0%	Down from 91.3%	90.9%	88.8%
Teacher attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 95.2%	95.1%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$44,754	Up 5.7%	\$45,559	\$45,107
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.3%	Down from 1.1%	0.4%	0.5%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.4%	Down from 2.2%	1.1%	2.5%
<b>District</b>				
Superintendent's years at district	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.0 to 1	Down from 21.2 to 1	20.4 to 1	20.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.5%	Down from 90.9%	89.1%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$8,047	Up 4.8%	\$8,678	\$8,666
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	53.2%	Down from 53.3%	54.3%	53.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	55.9%	Down from 57.4%	57.3%	56.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	14	No Change	14	9
Portable classrooms	14.1%	No Change	5.5%	4.3%
Average age in years of school facilities	19 Years	Down from 27 Years	26 Years	26 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	14.0	No Change	14.0	8.0
Average administrator salary	\$80,694	Up 2.8%	\$75,974	\$76,032
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	69.7%		73.0%	69.7%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

SAT scores in Greenwood School District 50 are up at both high schools; our AYP data for No Child Left Behind shows our improvement rating is up from previous years; and the number of students passing the high school exit exam on the first try continues to rise. The 2007 – 2008 school year was the first for the students and teachers at Northside Middle School in a new state-of-the-art facility. Expansions and updates are also in progress at every school in our district. Among them are a 32-classroom addition at Greenwood High School, a new gymnasium at Emerald High School, and new art, P.E., and music rooms at several of our elementary schools.

District 50 is working to give every child choice in their education, and we are expanding the newly created Art, Communication, and Theater School to include elementary students. The Genesis Education Center offers educational programs across the spectrum, from dual credit courses that begin at 7 o'clock in the morning to Adult Ed classes that last well into the evening. The district has teamed with Piedmont Technical College to offer free college courses in five areas to students looking toward a trade when their high school days are done. And after a year of work, the new Greenwood School District 50 Child Development Center is set to open in the fall.

We recognize that it is important to move forward with clear goals, which is why District 50 participated this year in an Academic Audit. The audit made it possible to compare Greenwood District 50 with other school districts of similar demographic makeup. This audit showed that, overall, our District is doing well in our instructional programs and effectively educating our students. While we continue to make educational progress for our students, it is also important to make the community aware of this progress and of the importance education plays in the community as a whole.

We are diligently working with all district employees, students, parents, and the community as a whole, to make sure we are making positive changes. We all want to make Greenwood School District 50 a source of pride for our families and our community.

Darrell Johnson, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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